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Office Action Summary

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 29 September 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-24 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-24 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 29 September 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claims 1-24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Newegg.com <http://web.archive.org/web/20020925093014/http://newegg.com/>.

As for independent claims 1,12,16,18,20 and 23, Newegg.com teaches in a product search engine, a method for displaying search results in response to a search query and corresponding method, product search engine, specialized engine, and apparatus comprising: obtaining a product search query generated by a user (fig.7; wherein the user types in a request to search for web documents relating to the query); responsive to the query, obtaining search results comprising a set of links each associated with a web document determined to be relevant to the query (fig.5, the related web documents are displayed as links); generating the set of links for display according to a plurality of user-selectable formats (fig.5, links to web documents and fig.2, the user inputs query and displayed is a grid view of product links to separate web documents with user reviews, description, etc.); generating a set of results in response to a search query (fig.5); displaying the set of search results as a grid of two or more columns on a search results page (fig.11); outputting a first set and second set of cues for one of the set of

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search results upon selection of a first and second search result output mode by a user (fig.9); a storage area to store a set of instructions (fig.12,13; wherein it is appreciated that the website being run is storing information to local temp files/ cookies on the users computer); a processor, coupled to the storage are, to execute the instructions which cause the above actions (fig.12,13); means for generating the product search results in a first and second output format (fig.9; of course those skilled in the art will appreciate that a programming code that of html/java is handling the behind works of creating and displaying the graphics and textual information to the end user).

As for dependent claims 2-11,13-15,17,19,21,22 and 24, Newegg.com teaches the method of claim 1, further comprising:

- user selectable views including list view and grid view (fig.2, 5)
- associating at least one advertisement (fig.2)
- generating the advertisement for display in the list view (fig.8 and 5)
- generating a first set of cues for output in a first one of the plurality of user-selectable views, and generating a second set of cues for output in a second one of the plurality of user-selectable views (fig.9,10)
- generating the first set of cues for output as a first type of media and the second set of cues as output as a second type of media (fig.9,2,10)
- generating the set of cues for output as text, and generating the second set of cues for output as a truncated version of the first set of cues (fig.2, 9; user truncates to a simple view)

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- generating the set of cues for output as an image, audio, text (fig.9; also it is well appreciated in the art that when a user selects an object in a html file that a corresponding audio file is played during interaction from the operating system)
- generating no advertisement for display in the grid view (fig.2; wherein the advertisement is separate from the grid frame as visually notable)
- generating the advertisement for display if the grid view is selected (fig.5; wherein the user selects the grid view and is displayed a list view with an advertisement in the list)
- results being displayed in a single column (fig.5);
- results being displayed in a plurality of columns (fig. 9);
- textual information displayed in conjunction with a search result of the set of search results in the second view is relatively less than in conjunction with the search result in the first view (fig.2 and 5; wherein there is a visual difference of textual information)
- displaying an associated picture for one or more of the results in the set of search results (fig.11; accessories pictures next to corresponding accessories links of information as well as textual information)
- output modes corresponding to different display views of the set of search results (fig.10 and 9)

It is noted that any citation to specific, pages, columns, lines, or figures in the prior art references and any interpretation of the references should not be considered to be limiting

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in any way. A reference is relevant for all it contains and may be relied upon for all that it would have reasonably suggested to one having ordinary skill in the art. In re Heck, 699 F.2d 1331, 1332-33, 216 USPQ 1038, 1039 (Fed. Cir. 1983) (quoting In re Lemelson, 397 F.2d 1006, 1009, 158 USPQ 275, 277 (CCPA 1968)).

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

US-20020161658-System and method for a complete and convenient shopping experience

US-5982369-Method for displaying on a screen of a computer system images representing search results

US-6732161-Information presentation and management in an online trading environment

US-6271840-Graphical search engine visual index

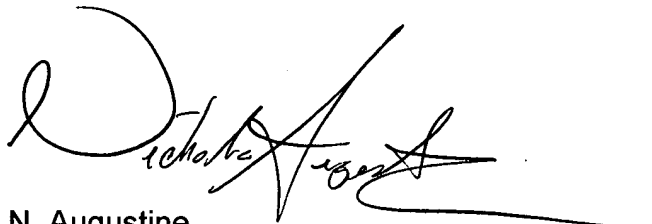
US-7013285-Data processing system, has set of processing modules for performing predefined operations on data, where system is arranged to present selected items of data following sequential processing of data by selected processing modules

Inquires

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Nicholas Augustine whose telephone number is 571-270-1056. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday: 7:30- 5:00.

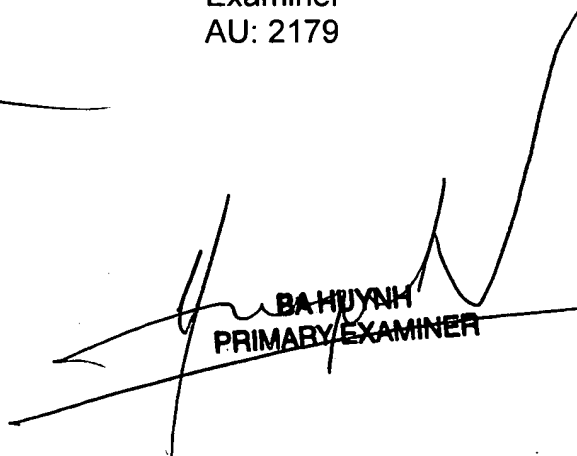
If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Weilun Lo can be reached on 571-272-4847. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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